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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
) Group Art Unit: TBD
Folger Bruce et al)
) Examiner: TBD
Serial No. TBD)
) Atty. Dkt. No. 002441.00105
Filed: Herewith) (PP16917.008)

For: **ESSENTIAL AND IMPORTANT GENES OF PSEUDOMONAS AEROGINOSA AND THE USE THEREOF TO DESIGN OR IDENTIFY ANTIBACTERIAL AGENTS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 24 of this paper.